

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

1. (Previously Presented) A skeleton structure member for use in a transport machine having multiple granules packed in a space inside a skeleton member of a transport machine and/or a space bounded by a skeleton member and a panel member around the skeleton member,

wherein, to suppress excessive rising of an internal pressure in the space during increase of the internal pressure, a granule flow allowing part, into which the multiple granules can move, is provided close to the granules.

2. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 1, wherein the granule flow allowing part is provided inside the skeleton member and comprises a cavity forming member that defines a cavity.

3. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 2, wherein the cavity forming member is bellows-shaped.

4. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 2, wherein the cavity forming member has a wall part having a first end at which a

load acts on the skeleton structure and a second end opposite to the first end, and wherein the cavity forming member wall part widens from the first end to the second end.

5. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 1, wherein the granule flow allowing part comprises a foam member that is provided inside the skeleton member.

6. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 1, wherein the granule flow allowing part comprises granules provided inside the skeleton member and wherein said granules provided inside the skeleton member are weaker in strength than said multiple granules.

7. (Previously Presented) The skeleton structure member according to claim 1, wherein the granule flow allowing part comprises multiple granule flow allowing parts of different lengths, said multiple granule flow allowing parts being provided inside the skeleton member.